GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:187
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Mental Health Institutes
Tarai Smt. Rita

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether cases of mental disorder are on the rise in the country in the recent past, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether any study/survey has been undertaken to find out the causes of sudden rise in mental and neurological disorders, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has any plan/proposes to formulate any plan for the upgradation of Mental Health Institutes into super specialist institute of mental health and neurosciences at par with the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS);

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT wise including Odisha; and

(e) the follow-up action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA
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In 2005, the National Commission on Macroeconomics and Health reported that 10-20 million (1-2% of population) suffered from severe mental disorders such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder and nearly 50 million (5% of population) from common mental disorders such as depression and anxiety, yielding an overall estimate of 6.5 per cent of the population.
The Government has commissioned a National Mental Health Survey through the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bangalore with, inter-alia, the following objectives:
â€¢ estimate the prevalence and burden of Mental, Neurological and substance use disorders in a representative population of India,
â€¢ identify the health care seeking and services utilization patterns, and
â€¢ assess mental health care resources and facilities in the surveyed states for planning, and strengthening of resources and services.
The survey was initiated on 1st June, 2015 and about 27000 interviews were completed at the field level as on 5th April, 2016.
During the 12th Five Year Plan period, Government has approved a scheme for upgradation of two Central Government mental health institutes namely Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi Regional Institute of Mental Health (LGBRIMH), Tezpur, Assam and Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi to provide neurological and neuro-surgical facilities on the pattern of National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS), Bangalore. The Government does not have any scheme for upgradation of State Government mental health institutes into super specialist institute of mental health and neurosciences at par with NIMHANS, Bangalore.
However, Government has provided financial assistance for establishment of Centres of Excellence in the field of mental health at 15 Institutes belonging to the State Governments/UT Administrations including Odisha. Information relating to the funds released for establishment of Centres of Excellence is annexed.